# New Market News

TOWN OF NEW MARKET, MARYLAND

JULY/AUGUST 2011

## Message from the Mayor

The Town will launch its new website www.townofnewmarket.org on Tuesday, July 12th.

The website will be more user and operator friendly. It will have the following features and more.

- A link to sign up for town emails and/ or newsletters
- Link to send in complaint or concern
- Zoning ordinance and master plans
- Links to local organizations
- Trash & recycling schedules
- Water/Sewer procedures and application
- Permit procedures & application
- BOA procedures and application
- Election information
- Minutes & Agendas for Councils & Boards
- Proposed Ordinances and related staff reports
- Tourist & Business information
- New resident welcome package
- Calendar

This should be a great new tool to find out everything that's happing in town.

The Town's 2011 Master Plan draft will be presented during July's P&Z meeting. You can view it on our new website. There is also a two page survey that goes with the draft that we encourage you to complete and return to us.

May's landfill bill was still pretty dismal. Our per household trash was 54 pounds. We need to get it down to 40 pounds. I would like to see this accomplished voluntarily. By ordinance, each household is permitted 70 gallons of trash each week. That is two 35 gallon toters. Anything more than that may be left at the curb. Trash Ordinance 08-03 may be found on our website.

On February 15, 2011, Friends of Frederick County (FoFC) filed a lawsuit against the Town seeking the invalidation of

the Municipal Growth Element (MGE). To date we have spent \$18,179.61 defending it. You should know that FoFC never attended any of the Planning or Council meetings related to our MGE. If they had, many of the questions they have posed in the media would have been answered. As you watch the CVS pharmacy and All Tune Lube projects being built, please understand that they are not in the town. Most of what is around us is not in the town (see map below). They are county developments. We do not get \$1 in tax money from these projects. Thus, while FoFC wants to prevent

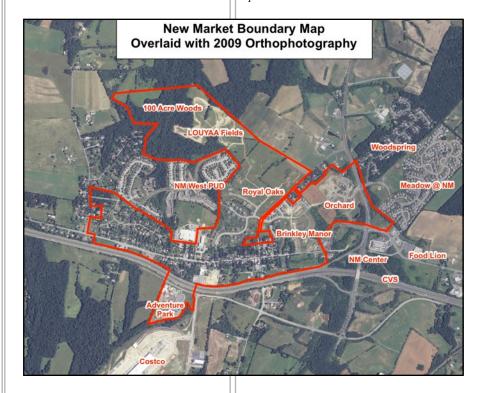
county town. If FoFC had chosen to play a more constructive role rather than an adversarial one, perhaps we could stand to gain some benefit from the county development we are powerless to stop. A copy of the lawsuit and subsequent filings may be found on the Town website.

Sincerely,

Winslow

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**Note:** For those who receive the hard copy of the newsletter and would like to see the below map in color, please email Deb at <u>debtownofnewmarket@gmail.com</u> or check out the online version of the newsletter after July 12 when the new website is operational.



the town from growing, they fail to see the obvious. Specifically, without a realistic growth policy, we are about to become a small town that is surrounded by a larger

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

July 7– Planning & Zoning Meeting 7:00 p.m.

July 12 – HDC/ARC Meeting 7:00 p.m.

July 13 - Town Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

August 4 – Planning & Zoning Meeting 7:00 p.m.

August 9 – Town Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

August 10 – HDC/ARC Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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### New Market Volunteer Fire Company

## Fried Chicken Dinner Saturday, July 16, 2011

FRIED CHICKEN
GREEN BEANS

1 pm to 5 pm

Adults \$10 Kids 6-10 \$5.00

Under 6 Free

DINNER ROY

\*Not an all-u-can eat dinner as previously advertised

76 West Main Street, New Market, MD

#### **Upcoming Events at New Market United Methodist Church**

Friday, July 1, 2011 – Senior Breakfast -- A continental breakfast will be served starting at 8:30 am at the schoolhouse for seniors 55 and over to welcome the new pastors of our new church parish, Rev. Jennifer Smith, Pastor Jason Shank and Pastor Scott Clawson.

**Sunday, July 31, 2011 - Church Picnic --** Save the date for the New Market United Methodist Church picnic. An outdoor service (weather permitting) starting at 11:00 am will be followed by a scrumptious potluck picnic. There will be lots of fun and games for kids of all ages. The picnic will be held on the New Market United Methodist grounds, just follow the balloons and you will be there. Chicken, drinks and place setting will be provided. Bring a covered dish, a chair and your kids or grandkids and prepare to have a wonderful time.

Monday through Friday, August 15 to 19, 2011 - Vacation Bible School -- Our no cost VBS is being held from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm each evening at the New Market United Methodist Church sanctuary and schoolhouse. The theme is Home Town Nazareth, Where Jesus was a Kid. There will be a marketplace for creating your own crafts, Bible dramas, games, snack and plenty of music to round out the evening. Please come and bring you parents too. VBS is targeting kids from 5 to 11, but there is always wiggle room for someone a bit younger or a bit older. You can preregister online at <a href="https://www.newmarketumc.com">www.newmarketumc.com</a> or call the church at 301-865-3560.

Remember to visit the New Market United Methodist Church website below to learn more about our church and the most recent news about church events and activities. Everyone is welcome, come and join us.

New Market United Methodist Church, Rt. 874 and North Alley, 301-865-3560, <a href="https://www.newmarketumc.com">www.newmarketumc.com</a>, Rev. Jennifer Smith, Pastor Jason Shank, Pastor Scott Clawson. Worship Service 11:00 am – "To Brighten the Corners wherever we are"

#### "Ask Dr. Tate"

#### From Dr. Tate...some fun summer dental trivia:

- The average human produces 25,000 quarts of saliva (spit) in a lifetime. That is enough saliva to fill 2 swimming pools!
- A sneeze zooms out of your mouth at over 600 mph!
- A tooth that has been knocked out starts to die within 15 minutes, but
  if you put it in milk or hold it in your mouth it will survive longer. See a
  dentist ASAP!
- Egyptians used a form of toothpaste over 5000 years ago.
- According to a "Time Magazine Survey," 59% of Americans would rather sit in a Dentist's chair than sit next to someone on a cell phone.
- According to "Consumer's Report," Dentist's are among the 5 most trusted professionals in the U.S..
- · Regular dental cleanings can help prevent heart attacks.
- Tooth Decay is the 2nd most common disease in the U.S. after the common cold.
- · Adults have 32 teeth, children have 20 teeth.
- In 1840 the world's first dental school opened in Baltimore (Dr. Tate and Hygienist, Debbie are both graduates of UMD Baltimore College of Dental Surgery)
- Clean teeth can help prevent a heart attack.
- 100 years ago one half of all adult North Americans were toothless today less than 10% of adults over 65 have lost their teeth.
- Most tooth loss in people under 35 years of age is caused by athletic

- trauma, fights or accidents. The causes of most tooth loss in people over 35 is periodontal disease.
- During the Dark Ages, (400-1400 AD) popular belief was that you could grow a lost tooth by obtaining a tooth from someone elseideally from a hanged criminal?
- 50's heart throb James Dean had no front teeth! He wore a bridge.
- Certain cheeses including Aged Cheddar, Swiss and Monterey Jack, have been found to protect teeth from decay
- In ancient Egyptian times, you were more likely to suffer from a toothache if you were well-to-do. This was because those who could afford to, ate sweets (such as honey), while the workers ate onions.
- Teeth in a growing fetus begin to develop only six weeks after conception
- Today's tooth fairy needs a lot more silver than she did in 1900 when she left an average of twelve cents. In 1998, the tooth fairy left an average of one dollar.
- Among the first known dentists in the world were the Etruscans. In 700 BC they carved false teeth from the teeth of various mammals, and produced partial bridge work good enough to eat with.
- Over three million miles of dental floss is purchased in North America each year.

Call today for an appointment! Keep smiling!

Dr. Haley Tate

Find us on the web haleytatedds.com or "friend" us on Facebook.

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## Green Building & Living from Seawright Homes

## What's Your HERS Index? Mine is 70 or less or "The HERS Index Made Easy"

No, a HERS Index number is not a reflection of how much of a home's closet space is occupied by women's clothes. Nor is it a gauge of femininity.

"HERS" is short for Home Energy Rating System. As explained in Wikipedia, a HERS Index number is a relative energy use index making possible energy consumption comparisons among homes built during different years, with different building components and methods and governed by different, everevolving building codes. Just as EPA Estimated Mileage Ratings for all types of vehicles facilitate fuel efficiency comparisons, HERS Index numbers enable the relative energy efficiency of different homes to be compared.

Unlike the EPA gas mileage rating, where higher is better; lower is better under the HERS Index system. For the HERS system, the index number of "100" is assigned to a home built to the standards of the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC). For pre-2006 homes, which typically would have been built to significantly less strict energy efficiency standards than those of the 2006 IECC, the HERS Index number will be greater than 100. For homes built to standards that will produce more energy savings than a home built to the building code standards of the 2006 IECC, the HERS Index will be lower than 100.

For example, for a home to be Energy Star certified, the home must be at least 15% more energy efficient than a home built to the standards of the 2006 IECC. In the next

paragraph, you will see that a home having a HERS Index of 85 or lower will confirm compliance with the Energy Star energy efficiency criteria. For a home that employs renewable energy resources and produces as much energy as it consumes, such a home is referred to as a "Net Zero" home, reflective of it having a HERS Index of "zero" and requiring no net consumption of energy in its operation.

Knowing the HERS Index number for comparison homes, you determine the percentage by which one home is more energy efficient than another by subtracting the lower HERS Index number from the higher HERS Index number. The difference between two HERS Index numbers is the percentage by which the home having the lower index is more energy efficient than the home having the higher index.

By way of example, if you compared a 31year-old home built to 1980 building code standards against a 5-year-old home built to 2006 IECC standards, the older home likely would have a HERS Index of 130 or greater and the home built in 2006 would have a HERS Index of 100. Subtract the lower index of 100 from the higher index of 130 and the difference of 30 means that the home having the lower HERS Index should consume 30% less fuel. Viewed another way, if the 31-year-old home were to have a \$4900 annual energy bill for heating, cooling, lights and hot water, you could expect the home with the lower HERS Index to consume \$1470 less per year in energy costs (30% x \$4900). Using the HERS Index for home energy consumption comparison purposes and approximating differences in annual energy costs is that easy.

While a verified HERS Index of 85 or lower is mandatory for a home to receive EPA

Energy Star certification, the highest HERS rating permitted for a home to be described appropriately as high performance in energy efficiency is 70. Since the average age of all homes in the US is 34.6 years and a home of average age typically would have

a HERS Index at or above 130, the

HERS Index difference of 60 (130-70) and an energy efficiency advantage of 60% in favor of the high performance home, bears out what any builder of a new, high performance home will attest. "We indeed do not build homes like they use to. We build them better!"

If you contemplate remaining in your present home many more years and you want to know your HERS Index number and how to improve your home's energy efficiency, retain a BPI-certified or RESNET-certified energy auditor. This energy specialist can provide a full energy audit of your home, with the audit providing a tested and verified HERS Index number and a listing of recommended energy conservation improvements in order of cost effectiveness. If you are planning your next home investment, knowing the HERS Index number of the home you are considering is essential. If obtaining an energy audit and HERS rating for that next home means paying for an energy audit yourself, do not hesitate to do so. And, having a contract contingent upon obtaining satisfactory energy audit results is at least as important as having a home inspection contingency. If you plan to acquire a new home that will be third-party tested and verified as being high performance in energy efficiency, the initially greater expense of high performance will not be an unrecovered expense. Rather, that cost will more than pay for itself. Making that type of home investment, though, takes us back to the question first posed, "What's your HERS Index?"

### **Trash Update**

May saw an average of 54 pounds of trash per house per week. We are trying to reach an average level of 40 pounds per house per week. As you can see from the graph we have been above that mark all year. Please encourage your neighbors to recycle. If everyone will do their part, we should be able to achieve that goal. If you do not already have one of the blue bins from the county, you may call 301.694.6498 to have your **free** container delivered directly to your house. Recycling is picked up every other Wednesday. The next pickup date is: July 13. Thank you to all who already participate!





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## Town of New Market Unveils New Website



The new website is just about finished and will replace the old website by early next week. We are still in the process of refining & adding pages, so please let us know what additional items you would like to see on the website. We welcome your comments!

Thank you to Councilman Rossman for all of his hard work on the old site and for his assistance with the new website. We would also like to thank Julie and all the folks at 270.net. They have helped to make this transition smooth and efficient. If you are not already receiving the town emails,

please take advantage of the link under "Online Services - Stay Connected" to add your name to the email list for important announcements and updates.